

# The Economist/YouGov Poll

November 17 - 19, 2024 - 1595 U.S. Adult citizens



Sample 1595 U.S. Adult citizens  
 Conducted November 17 - 19, 2024  
 Margin of Error ±3.4%

## 1. Would you say things in this country today are...

Generally headed in the right direction ..... 31%  
 Off on the wrong track ..... 53%  
 Not sure ..... 15%

## 2. Did you vote in the November 2024 general election?

*Asked of registered voters*

Yes ..... 83%  
 No ..... 17%

## 3. Do you wish that you had voted in the election, or do you not mind that you didn't vote?

*Asked of registered voters who didn't vote in the 2024 general election*

I wish that I had voted ..... 40%  
 I don't mind that I didn't vote ..... 49%  
 Not sure ..... 11%

## 4. In the 2024 general election, how did you cast your ballot?

*Asked of people who voted in the 2024 general election*

By voting at your assigned polling place or vote center on Election Day ..... 36%  
 By filling out a vote-by-mail ballot at home and mailing it ..... 18%  
 By dropping off a vote-by-mail ballot at a polling place or vote center on Election Day ..... 5%  
 By voting at a staffed polling place or vote center before Election Day ..... 30%  
 By dropping a vote-by-mail ballot in an unstaffed secure ballot drop box ..... 10%  
 Not sure ..... 1%

## 5. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of...?

	Very favorable	Some-what favorable	Favorable	Some-what unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Unfavorable	Don't know
Kamala Harris	24%	19%	<b>43%</b>	11%	42%	<b>53%</b>	4%
Donald Trump	33%	18%	<b>51%</b>	11%	35%	<b>46%</b>	3%
JD Vance	24%	18%	<b>43%</b>	11%	29%	<b>41%</b>	17%

6. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of the following people?

	Very favorable	Some-what favorable	Favorable	Some-what unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Unfavorable	Don't know
Vladimir Putin	5%	9%	<b>13%</b>	18%	55%	<b>72%</b>	15%
Volodymyr Zelensky	19%	28%	<b>48%</b>	14%	13%	<b>27%</b>	26%
Benjamin Netanyahu	16%	16%	<b>32%</b>	15%	23%	<b>39%</b>	29%

7. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of ...?

	Very favorable	Some-what favorable	Favorable	Some-what unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Unfavorable	Don't know
Joe Biden	15%	23%	<b>38%</b>	17%	41%	<b>58%</b>	4%

8. How important are the following issues to you?

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Important	Not very Important	Unimportant	Not Important
Jobs and the economy	71%	25%	<b>97%</b>	3%	1%	<b>3%</b>
Immigration	55%	32%	<b>87%</b>	11%	3%	<b>13%</b>
Climate change and the environment	42%	29%	<b>71%</b>	17%	13%	<b>29%</b>
Foreign policy	44%	44%	<b>88%</b>	10%	2%	<b>12%</b>
National Security	67%	26%	<b>93%</b>	5%	2%	<b>7%</b>
Education	60%	30%	<b>91%</b>	7%	2%	<b>9%</b>
Health care	70%	25%	<b>95%</b>	4%	1%	<b>5%</b>
Taxes and government spending	60%	32%	<b>92%</b>	7%	1%	<b>8%</b>
Abortion	43%	27%	<b>70%</b>	19%	11%	<b>30%</b>
Civil rights	55%	32%	<b>86%</b>	9%	4%	<b>14%</b>
Civil liberties	51%	36%	<b>87%</b>	10%	3%	<b>13%</b>
Guns	50%	30%	<b>80%</b>	14%	6%	<b>20%</b>
Crime	58%	33%	<b>91%</b>	7%	2%	<b>9%</b>
Criminal justice reform	43%	41%	<b>84%</b>	13%	4%	<b>16%</b>
Inflation/prices	74%	21%	<b>95%</b>	4%	1%	<b>5%</b>

9. Which of these is the most important issue for you?

Inflation/prices	24%
Jobs and the economy	15%
Immigration	12%
Health care	10%
Climate change and the environment	7%
National Security	5%
Civil rights	5%
Taxes and government spending	5%
Abortion	4%
Education	4%
Civil liberties	4%
Crime	2%
Guns	2%
Foreign policy	1%
Criminal justice reform	1%

10. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as President?

Strongly approve	15%
Somewhat approve	22%
<b>Approve</b>	<b>37%</b>
Somewhat disapprove	16%
Strongly disapprove	41%
<b>Disapprove</b>	<b>57%</b>
Not sure	6%

11. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling these specific issues?

	Strongly approve	Some-what approve	Approve	Some-what disapprove	Strongly disapprove	Disapprove	No opinion
Jobs and the economy	19%	21%	<b>40%</b>	15%	38%	<b>53%</b>	7%
Immigration	11%	22%	<b>33%</b>	15%	43%	<b>58%</b>	9%
Foreign policy	14%	22%	<b>35%</b>	16%	38%	<b>54%</b>	11%
National Security	18%	22%	<b>40%</b>	13%	37%	<b>50%</b>	10%
Education	17%	26%	<b>44%</b>	12%	32%	<b>44%</b>	13%
Crime	12%	24%	<b>36%</b>	15%	36%	<b>52%</b>	12%
Criminal justice reform	9%	24%	<b>33%</b>	18%	32%	<b>50%</b>	17%
Inflation/prices	14%	18%	<b>32%</b>	17%	44%	<b>61%</b>	7%

12. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way that the United States Congress is handling its job?

Strongly approve .....	5%
Somewhat approve .....	13%
<b>Approve .....</b>	<b>18%</b>
Neither approve nor disapprove .....	22%
Somewhat disapprove .....	23%
Strongly disapprove .....	28%
<b>Disapprove .....</b>	<b>51%</b>
Not sure .....	9%

13. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Supreme Court of the United States is handling its job?

Strongly approve .....	15%
Somewhat approve .....	28%
<b>Approve .....</b>	<b>43%</b>
Somewhat disapprove .....	14%
Strongly disapprove .....	28%
<b>Disapprove .....</b>	<b>42%</b>
Not sure .....	15%

14. In general, how would you describe the political viewpoint of the Supreme Court of the United States?

Very liberal .....	4%
Liberal .....	7%
<b>Total Liberal .....</b>	<b>11%</b>
Moderate .....	29%
Conservative .....	20%
Very conservative .....	21%
<b>Total Conservative .....</b>	<b>41%</b>
Not sure .....	19%

15. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Mike Johnson is handling his job as the Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives?

Strongly approve .....	10%
Somewhat approve .....	23%
<b>Approve .....</b>	<b>33%</b>
Somewhat disapprove .....	16%
Strongly disapprove .....	18%
<b>Disapprove .....</b>	<b>34%</b>
Not sure .....	32%

16. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Chuck Schumer is handling his job as Majority Leader of the U.S. Senate?

Strongly approve	9%
Somewhat approve	24%
<b>Approve</b>	<b>33%</b>
Somewhat disapprove	14%
Strongly disapprove	24%
<b>Disapprove</b>	<b>38%</b>
Not sure	29%

17. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Mitch McConnell is handling his job as Minority Leader of the U.S. Senate?

Strongly approve	4%
Somewhat approve	18%
<b>Approve</b>	<b>22%</b>
Somewhat disapprove	20%
Strongly disapprove	32%
<b>Disapprove</b>	<b>52%</b>
Not sure	26%

18. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Hakeem Jeffries is handling his job as Minority Leader of the U.S. House of Representatives?

Strongly approve	12%
Somewhat approve	19%
<b>Approve</b>	<b>31%</b>
Somewhat disapprove	13%
Strongly disapprove	17%
<b>Disapprove</b>	<b>30%</b>
Not sure	39%

19. Do you approve or disapprove of the way President-elect Donald Trump is handling the presidential transition?

Strongly approve	32%
Somewhat approve	20%
<b>Approve</b>	<b>51%</b>
Somewhat disapprove	9%
Strongly disapprove	27%
<b>Disapprove</b>	<b>36%</b>
Not sure	13%

20. Do you approve or disapprove of the way President Joe Biden is handling the presidential transition?

Strongly approve .....	26%
Somewhat approve .....	35%
<b>Approve .....</b>	<b>60%</b>
Somewhat disapprove .....	10%
Strongly disapprove .....	11%
<b>Disapprove .....</b>	<b>21%</b>
Not sure .....	19%

21. Do you approve or disapprove of the following appointments announced by Donald Trump?

	Strongly approve	Some-what approve	Approve	Some-what disapprove	Strongly disapprove	Disapprove	Not sure
Pete Hegseth as Secretary of Defense	22%	16%	<b>38%</b>	9%	25%	<b>34%</b>	28%
Marco Rubio as Secretary of State	22%	24%	<b>46%</b>	13%	17%	<b>30%</b>	23%
Tulsi Gabbard as Director of National Intelligence	22%	20%	<b>42%</b>	8%	24%	<b>33%</b>	26%
Matt Gaetz as U.S. Attorney General	16%	21%	<b>37%</b>	8%	31%	<b>39%</b>	24%
Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. as Secretary of Health and Human Services	27%	20%	<b>48%</b>	8%	29%	<b>36%</b>	16%

22. Would you say Donald Trump is a strong or a weak leader?

Very strong .....	43%
Somewhat strong .....	23%
Somewhat weak .....	11%
Very weak .....	23%

23. Are you confident in Donald Trump's ability to deal wisely with an international crisis, or are you uneasy about his approach?

Confident .....	50%
Uneasy .....	39%
Not sure .....	12%

24. Do you think Donald Trump has the temperament to be the President?

Yes .....	51%
No .....	39%
Not sure .....	10%

25. How confident are you in Donald Trump's ability to be an effective commander in chief of the nation's military?

Very confident	39%
Somewhat confident	17%
Not too confident	9%
Not at all confident	29%
Not sure	6%

26. How much do you believe Donald Trump cares about the needs and problems of U.S. veterans and service members?

A lot	38%
Some	17%
Not much	12%
Doesn't care at all	26%
Not sure	7%

27. Four years from now do you think the United States will be more respected or less respected in the world than it is today?

More respected than today	42%
About the same as today	15%
Less respected than today	30%
Not sure	12%

28. How likely do you think it is that Donald Trump will get us into a war?

Very likely	16%
Fairly likely	20%
Fairly unlikely	22%
Very unlikely	26%
Not sure	15%

29. How would you describe the current state of the American economy?

Excellent	6%
Good	26%
Fair	28%
Poor	36%
Don't know	3%

30. Overall, do you think the economy is getting better or worse?

Getting better	23%
About the same	33%
Getting worse	34%
Not sure	10%

31. Would you say that you and your family are...

Better off financially than you were a year ago .....	18%
About the same financially as you were a year ago .....	41%
Worse off financially than you were a year ago .....	38%
Not sure .....	4%

32. Looking ahead, do you think that A YEAR FROM NOW you and your household will be...

Better off financially .....	39%
Just about the same as now .....	29%
Worse off financially .....	18%
Not sure .....	13%

33. Do you consider the following to be an ally or an enemy of the United States?

	Ally	Friendly	Unfriendly	Enemy	Not sure
Russia	2%	5%	31%	47%	15%
Ukraine	26%	45%	7%	4%	18%
China	3%	11%	36%	32%	17%
Iran	2%	3%	23%	54%	18%
Israel	39%	27%	9%	6%	19%

34. Do you believe the following countries interfered with the U.S. presidential election in November?

	Yes	No	Not sure
Russia	39%	35%	27%
Ukraine	9%	66%	24%
China	30%	38%	32%
Iran	29%	41%	30%
Israel	16%	55%	29%

35. Would you say Vladimir Putin is a strong or a weak leader?

Very strong .....	37%
Somewhat strong .....	37%
Somewhat weak .....	15%
Very weak .....	11%

36. Would you say Volodymyr Zelensky is a strong or a weak leader?

Very strong .....	28%
Somewhat strong .....	42%
Somewhat weak .....	21%
Very weak .....	9%



**37. In the conflict between Russia and Ukraine, who do you sympathize with more?**

Russia .....	3%
Ukraine .....	60%
Neither .....	25%
Not sure .....	12%

**38. In the war between Russia and Ukraine, who do you think is currently winning?**

Russia .....	24%
Ukraine .....	13%
Neither .....	35%
Not sure .....	28%

**39. Who is more likely to be the eventual winner of the conflict between Russia and Ukraine?**

Russia .....	30%
Ukraine .....	13%
Equally likely .....	17%
Not sure .....	41%

**40. Do you favor the U.S. increasing, decreasing, or maintaining the same amount of military aid to Ukraine?**

Increasing military aid to Ukraine .....	26%
Decreasing military aid to Ukraine .....	28%
Maintaining the same amount of military aid to Ukraine .....	25%
Not sure .....	21%

**41. Do you think that Joe Biden's approach to the conflict between Russia and Ukraine has been...?**

Too supportive of Ukraine .....	28%
About right .....	31%
Not supportive enough of Ukraine .....	16%
Not sure .....	26%

**42. Do you think that Donald Trump's approach to the conflict between Russia and Ukraine has been...?**

Too supportive of Ukraine .....	4%
About right .....	34%
Not supportive enough of Ukraine .....	28%
Not sure .....	34%

**43. How likely or unlikely do you think it is that the Russian invasion of Ukraine will lead to a wider war in Europe?**

Very likely .....	11%
Fairly likely .....	29%
Not very likely .....	22%
Not at all likely .....	5%
Not sure .....	26%
It already has led to a wider war .....	7%

**44. How much longer do you think the war between Russia and Ukraine will last?**

Less than a month	1%
A month or two	4%
Two to six months	11%
Six months to a year	13%
One to two years	14%
Two to five years	9%
More than five years	4%
Not sure	44%

**45. When the Russia-Ukraine war ends, how much of Ukraine's territory do you think Russia will control?**

All of it	5%
Most of it	10%
Half of it	8%
Some of it	35%
None of it	7%
Not sure	35%

**46. When the Russia-Ukraine war ends, how much of Ukraine's territory would you prefer Russia control?**

All of it	1%
Most of it	3%
Half of it	3%
Some of it	5%
None of it	61%
Not sure	27%

**47. Would you say Benjamin Netanyahu is a strong or a weak leader?**

Very strong	27%
Somewhat strong	42%
Somewhat weak	19%
Very weak	11%

**48. In the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, are your sympathies more with...?**

The Israelis	31%
About equal	30%
The Palestinians	16%
Not sure it	23%

**49. Do you favor the U.S. increasing, decreasing, or maintaining the same amount of military aid to Israel?**

Increasing military aid to Israel	18%
Decreasing military aid to Israel	33%
Maintaining the same amount of military aid to Israel	28%
Not sure	21%

50. Do you favor the U.S. increasing, decreasing, or maintaining the same amount of humanitarian aid to the Palestinians?

Increasing humanitarian aid to the Palestinians	27%
Decreasing humanitarian aid to the Palestinians	21%
Maintaining the same amount of humanitarian aid to the Palestinians	27%
Not sure	26%

51. Do you think that Joe Biden's approach to the Israel-Hamas war has been... ?

Too supportive of Israel	26%
About right	23%
Not supportive enough of Israel	24%
Not sure	27%

52. Do you think that Donald Trump's approach to the Israel-Hamas war has been...?

Too supportive of Israel	20%
About right	34%
Not supportive enough of Israel	6%
Not sure	39%

53. Which comes closest to your view of what the ultimate goal of Israel's ground invasion in Gaza should be?

Immediate ceasefire	21%
Targeted raids to recover hostages	8%
Defeating Hamas and then pulling out of Gaza	10%
Defeating Hamas and giving control of Gaza to the Palestinian Authority or some other group	15%
Defeating Hamas and occupying Gaza	16%
Not sure	30%

54. Would you support or oppose Israel and Hamas agreeing to a ceasefire now?

Strongly support	51%
Somewhat support	19%
<b>Support</b>	<b>70%</b>
Somewhat oppose	5%
Strongly oppose	4%
<b>Oppose</b>	<b>9%</b>
Not sure	21%

55. If Israel defeats Hamas, what do you think is most likely to happen? Will Israel...

Pull out of Gaza	9%
Give control of Gaza to the Palestinian Authority or some other group	17%
Continue occupying Gaza	37%
Not sure	37%

56. How much longer do you think the war between Israel and Hamas will last?

Less than a month	1%
A month or two	4%
Two to six months	12%
Six months to a year	15%
One to two years	12%
Two to five years	4%
More than five years	9%
Not sure	45%

57. Would you support or oppose the following?

	Strongly support	Some-what support	Support	Some-what oppose	Strongly oppose	Oppose	Not sure
Imposing a 60% tariff on goods imported to the U.S. from China	15%	21%	<b>37%</b>	15%	28%	<b>42%</b>	21%
Creating a commission to audit the federal government and cut government spending	40%	25%	<b>65%</b>	9%	10%	<b>19%</b>	16%
Eliminating the U.S. Department of Education	15%	13%	<b>28%</b>	14%	44%	<b>58%</b>	14%
Prosecuting politicians who have been critical of Donald Trump	7%	9%	<b>15%</b>	13%	57%	<b>69%</b>	15%

58. Do you think Donald Trump will implement the following once he is elected president?

	Yes	No	Not sure
Imposing a 60% tariff on goods imported to the U.S. from China	55%	13%	31%
Ending the war in Ukraine	45%	24%	31%
Creating a commission to audit the federal government and cut government spending	61%	13%	26%
Eliminating the U.S. Department of Education	37%	29%	33%
Prosecuting politicians who have been critical of Donald Trump	36%	37%	28%

59. Do you usually celebrate Thanksgiving?

Yes	85%
No	15%

60. Do you plan to celebrate Thanksgiving this year?

Yes	81%
No	19%

61. Which of the following do you expect to eat at Thanksgiving this year? Select all that apply.

Turkey .....	67%
Stuffing .....	51%
Cranberry sauce .....	38%
Mashed potatoes .....	56%
Gravy .....	51%
Green beans .....	40%
Brussel sprouts .....	10%
Sweet potatoes .....	39%
Corn .....	33%
Ham .....	26%
Macaroni and cheese .....	27%
Bread or rolls .....	55%
Pie .....	54%
None of these .....	2%
Not asked - will not celebrate Thanksgiving this year .....	19%

62. Have your Thanksgiving plans for this year been affected by price increases?

Yes .....	37%
No .....	36%
Not sure .....	8%
Not asked - will not celebrate Thanksgiving this year .....	19%

63. This year, do you expect that there will be arguments about politics at your Thanksgiving celebration?

Yes .....	14%
No .....	61%
Prefer not to say .....	5%
Not asked - will not celebrate Thanksgiving this year .....	19%

64. As far as you know, who did the people who will be attending your Thanksgiving celebration support in the recent presidential election?

Almost all supported Kamala Harris .....	16%
More supported Kamala Harris .....	7%
Equal shares supported both candidates .....	12%
More supported Donald Trump .....	12%
Almost all supported Donald Trump .....	20%
Not sure .....	15%
Not asked - will not celebrate Thanksgiving this year .....	19%

65. Do you personally plan on doing any shopping in a store on the Friday after Thanksgiving?

Yes .....	13%
Maybe .....	30%
No .....	58%

66. In general, how would you describe your own political viewpoint?

Very liberal .....	8%
Liberal .....	16%
<b>Total Liberal .....</b>	<b>24%</b>
Moderate .....	35%
Conservative .....	23%
Very conservative .....	9%
<b>Total Conservative .....</b>	<b>32%</b>
Not sure .....	9%

67. Are you registered to vote?

Registered .....	73%
Not registered .....	27%

68. Who did you vote for in the election for President in 2024?

*Asked of people who voted in the 2024 general election*

Kamala Harris .....	43%
Donald Trump .....	44%
Did not vote for President .....	13%

69. In the 2024 elections for U.S. House of Representatives, who did you vote for in the district where you live?

*Asked of people who voted in the 2024 general election*

Democratic candidate .....	47%
Republican candidate .....	48%
Independent candidate .....	2%
Other candidate .....	1%
Did not vote for U.S. House .....	3%

70. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a ...?

Democrat .....	32%
Republican .....	33%
Independent .....	25%
Other .....	3%
Not sure .....	7%

71. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a ...?

*Calculated based on a series of questions about party identification*

Strong Democrat	21%
Not very strong Democrat	10%
Lean Democrat	6%
Independent	16%
Lean Republican	9%
Not very strong Republican	12%
Strong Republican	21%
Not sure	4%
Don't know	0%

72. Do you identify as a MAGA Republican?

*Asked of Republicans*

Yes	48%
No	39%
Not sure	13%

73. Are you...?

Male	49%
Female	51%

74. Respondent age by category

Under 30	21%
30-44	24%
45-64	33%
65+	22%

75. What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

White	67%
Black	13%
Hispanic	13%
Other	8%

76. What is the highest level of education you have completed?

HS or less	36%
Some college	29%
College grad	22%
Postgrad	12%

77. What is your marital status?

Married .....	41%
Separated .....	2%
Divorced .....	14%
Widowed .....	5%
Never married .....	33%
Domestic / civil partnership .....	5%

78. Are you the parent or guardian of any children under the age of 18?

Yes .....	24%
No .....	76%

79. Census Region

*Calculated from respondent's state of residence*

Northeast .....	16%
Midwest .....	21%
South .....	40%
West .....	24%

80. Thinking back over the last year, what was your family's annual income?

Under \$50K .....	39%
\$50-100K .....	28%
\$100K or more .....	21%
Prefer not to say .....	12%

81. Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services?

More than once a week .....	6%
Once a week .....	20%
Once or twice a month .....	9%
A few times a year .....	12%
Seldom .....	21%
Never .....	29%
Don't know .....	4%

82. Would you describe yourself as a "born-again" or evangelical Christian, or not?

Yes .....	33%
No .....	67%



83. People practice their religion in different ways. Outside of attending religious services, how often do you pray?

Several times a day .....	26%
Once a day .....	17%
A few times a week .....	11%
Once a week .....	3%
A few times a month .....	6%
Seldom .....	16%
Never .....	18%
Don't know .....	3%

84. What is your present religion, if any?

Protestant .....	29%
Roman Catholic .....	24%
Mormon .....	1%
Eastern or Greek Orthodox .....	1%
Jewish .....	1%
Muslim .....	3%
Buddhist .....	1%
Hindu .....	1%
Atheist .....	5%
Agnostic .....	5%
Nothing in particular .....	21%
Something else .....	8%

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<b>Sponsorship</b>	<i>The Economist</i>
<b>Fieldwork</b>	YouGov
<b>Interviewing Dates</b>	November 17 - 19, 2024
<b>Target population</b>	U.S. Citizens, age 18 and over
<b>Sampling method</b>	Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in panel to be representative of adult U.S. citizens.
<b>Sample composition</b>	1,818 started the survey after screenouts. 123 were deleted due to breakoffs, 39 were removed for interview completion time under 5 minutes, 24 were removed for attention check failures, and 37 were removed for data quality control. The reporting is based on the remaining 1,595 respondents.
<b>Weighting</b>	The sample was weighted according to gender, age, race, education, 2024 election turnout and presidential vote, 2020 election turnout and presidential vote, baseline party identification, and current voter registration status. 2024 presidential vote, at time of weighting was estimated to be 48% Harris and 50% Trump. Demographic weighting targets come from the 2019 American Community Survey. Baseline party identification is the respondent's most recent answer given around November 8, 2024, and is weighted to the estimated distribution at that time (31% Democratic, 32% Republican). The weights range from 0.051 to 6.509, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.931.
<b>Number of respondents</b>	1595 1435 (Registered voters)
<b>Margin of error</b>	± 3.4% (adjusted for weighting) ± 3.3% (Registered voters)
<b>Survey mode</b>	Web-based interviews
<b>Questions not reported</b>	6 questions not reported.